



# EQUAL JUSTICE AMERICA

## Summer 2022 EJA Fellow:

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### Update 1:

In my short 3 weeks with Legal Aid's Juvenile Rights Practice, I've had the opportunity to work directly with our young clients and appreciate the impact that committed advocacy has on their lives. I'm grateful for this opportunity to use my education for good!

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### Update 2:

After 6 weeks with the Legal Aid Society, I continue to be incredibly impressed by the JRP team. I've had the opportunity to do extensive research, client interviews, court appearances, trainings, and so much more. Thanks for your support.

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### Update 3:

Great week with LAS. I was able to help craft a defense to get our young client's case dismissed and sealed. This teen wants to attend college and maybe law school one day. Because of this ruling, he no longer needs to worry about a record hanging over him. Thanks, EJA, for your support!

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### Update 4:

This week I drafted an Order to Show Cause demanding our client's release from non-kinship foster care, so he could unite with a loving family member. Thanks for your support! I am grateful for the opportunity to engage in such fulfilling work.